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SUBJECT: CHARTER 77

1. DEPARTMENT RELEASED FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS
IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO THE PRESS JANUARY 26:

SOME THREE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS IN THAT COUNTRY HAVE PETITIONED THE GOVERNMENT TO GUARANTEE THE RIGHTS ACCORDED THEM BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK CONSTITUTION, THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTANTS ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL AND ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, AND BY THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. WE HAVE NOTED THAT THE SIGNERS OF CHARTER 77 EXPLICITLY STATE THAT IT IS NOT A DOCUMENT OF POLITICAL OPPOSITION. SOME OF THE SIGNERS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN DETAINED OR HARASSED.

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AS YOU KNOW, THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT PROVIDES THAT "IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, THE PARTICIPATING STATES WILL ACT IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE U.N. AND WITH THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. THEY WILL ALSO FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE INTERNATIONAL

DECLARATIONS AND AGREEMENTS IN THIS FIELD, INCLUDING INTER
ALIA THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENANTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS, BY WHICH
THEY MAY BE BOUND."

ALL SIGNATORIES OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT ARE PLEDGED TO
PROMOTE, RESPECT AND OBSERVE HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL
FREEDOMS FOR ALL. WE MUST STRONGLY DEPLORE THE VIOLATION
OF SUCH RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS WHEREVER THEY OCCUR.

2. ALL POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO REPORT BACK ANY OFFICIAL
OR SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC/PRESS REACTION TO THIS STATEMENT,
OR ANY INDICATION THAT HOST GOVERNMENTS ARE PLANNING OWN
STATEMENTS ON CHARTER 77 ISSUE.

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